(b) whether such Institutions under NDMC also provide medical services to general people living in NOIDA areas;

(c) whether large number of female employees of Railway Board living in NOIDA have been issued certificates entitling them to avail of abortion leave without registration in OPDs during May and June, 1993;

(d) whether such certificates are issued by some competent medicos of NDMC;

(e) whether Government propose to take any action against such bogus beneficiaries and Junior and Senior Residents for their lapses;

(f) whether latest scientific techniques do not permit 42 days rest rather than making them to join their duties after 7 days; and

(g) if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons for not adopting these techniques in Institutions under NDMC?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) and (g) Termination of pregnancy done by Suction Evacuation under Sedation and local anaesthesia causes minimum of discomfort and problems to the patients. This technique has been adopted by the Hospital. The period of leave depends upon the condition of the patient.

आयुर्वेद और यूनानी चिकित्सा पद्धतियों के लिए एक स्वतंत्र निदेशालय स्थापित किया जाना

2862. श्री अजीत जोगी :
चौधरी हरि सिंह :

क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या आयुर्वेद और यूनानी चिकित्सा पद्धति के लिए एक स्वतन्त्र निदेशालय स्थापित करने के संबंध में सरकार से अनुरोध किया गया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में अब तक क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री (श्री बी. शंकरानंद) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) प्रस्ताव विचाराधीन है ।

Tobacco related deaths

2863. SHRI JAGMOHAN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the recently published World Bank report in which it has been stated that tobacco-related deaths from heart disease and cancer are likely to double by the first decade of the next Century to two million a year; and if the present smoking patterns continue, they will grow to more than twelve million a year in developing countries in the second quarter of the next century;

(b) what measures are being contemplated by Government to ensure that the current patterns of tobacco consumption/smoking are changed to minimise the health hazards; and

(c) whether Government propose to take legislative measures to regulate and control production of cigarettes in the country?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government have initiated several measures like education about the ill effects of tobacco, prohibition of smoking in public places besides statutory warning on Cigarette packs to the effect that smoking is injurious to health.

(c) There is already an existing law viz. The Cigarettes (Regulation of Production, Supply and Distribution) Act, 1975 on the subject.

Seats filled up in M.B.B.S. and B.D.S. courses from quota

2864. SHRI SUNDER SINGH BHANDARI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of sests for each Medical and Dental College made available under 15 per cent quota for which All India Competitive Exams were conducted by CBSE in the last two years;

(b) the number of seats actually filled up under the quota in M.B.B.S. and B.D.S. course respectively and if the quota was not filled up, the reasons thereof; and

(c) whether separate lists are prepared for the above courses and whether the candidates are informed of their merit standing?